AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1. (Original) A method of neuroprotection which comprises administering a compound to a subject who is experiencing or has experienced a stroke, or other interruption of cerebral blood flow by other etiologies, the compound being an AMPK inhibitor.
- 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the compound is not a peptide or other biological or biologically-derived material.
 - 3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the compound is C75.
 - 4. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the compound is Compound C.
 - 5. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the compound is not C75 or Compound C.
 - 6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the compound is a small molecule.
 - 7.-9. (Cancelled)
 - 10. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein said compound reduces pAMPK level.
- 11. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein said compound is a direct inhibitor of AMPK.
- 12. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein said compound is an indirect inhibitor of AMPK.

- 13. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein said compound is a CPT-1 stimulator.
- 14. (New) A method of neuroprotection which consists of administering a compound to a subject who is experiencing or has experienced a stroke, or other interruption of cerebral blood flow by other etiologies, the compound being an AMPK inhibitor.
- 15. (New) The method of claim 14, wherein the compound is not a peptide or other biological or biologically-derived material.
 - 16. (New) The method of claim 14, wherein the compound is C75.
 - 17. (New) The method of claim 14, wherein the compound is Compound C.
 - 18. (New) The method of claim 14, wherein the compound is not C75 or Compound C.
 - 19. (New) The method of claim 14, wherein the compound is a small molecule.
 - 20. (New) The method of claim 14, wherein said compound reduces pAMPK level.
- 21. (New) The method of claim 14, wherein said compound is a direct inhibitor of AMPK.
- 22. (New) The method of claim 14, wherein said compound is an indirect inhibitor of AMPK.
 - 23. (New) The method of claim 14, wherein said compound is a CPT-1 stimulator.